

Burien Business and Economic Development Partnership

Date: June 11, 2010

Time: 7:00-9:00 am

Members Present: Judy Coover, Dave Elliott, Bob Ewing, Geri Fain, Kevin Fitz, Michael Goldsmith, Nancy Hinthorne, Jim Hughes, Alice Madsen, Mark Minium, Doug Moreland, Carmen Moore

Excused Absentees: Jane Voget

Absent:

Call to Order: Meeting opened at 7:00 a.m. by Judy Coover, Chair.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the May 14th meeting were approved as written.

Staff: Mike Martin, City Manager; Dick Loman, Economic Development Manager; Janet Stallman, Department Assistant, City Manager's Office

Guests: Mayor Joan McGilton; Councilmember Kathy Keene; Steve Gilbert, Executive Director, Discover Burien; Paul Keller & Amy Hoffman, Urban Partners; Sherrill Miller, Owner - EB Foote Winery

Chair's Report

Judy Coover mentioned that she had found the Bylaws for BEDP and discovered there is a term limit of one year for someone to serve as Chair. The Bylaws state they may serve again, but not in consecutive terms. Judy reported having had a very good lunch experience at Piranha Joe's. She updated the group on I-1098.

Presentation by Urban Partners

Paul Keller and Amy Hoffman of Urban Partners came to give a brief update on the Phase I (condominium property), but mostly to speak about the possibility of having a multiplex theater in downtown Burien. Advisory Board Members were given an opportunity to ask questions. Paul Keller said that he would come back to the BEDP when Frank Rimkus of Galaxy Theaters could come, too, to answer more detailed questions about the feasibility studies they have completed. Paul also offered that BEDP members could have an arranged tour of Galaxy Theater's Gig Harbor complex.

Subcommittee Reports

Doug Moreland mentioned that the annexation and sustainability subcommittees were going to merge and come up with a work plan. They will be meeting on June 18th, at 7 am at Sal's Deli. The group will consist of Doug Moreland, Michael Goldsmith, Jim Hughes, Kevin Fitz, Carmen Moore, Bob Ewing, and Alice Madsen.

The marketing subcommittee consisting of Carmen Moore, Nancy Hinthorne, Steve Gilbert (Discover Burien) and Judy Coover have met. They are speaking with Commercial Real Estate Brokers to hear what they think about the "good, bad and ugly" of Burien. They have been interviewing different brokers and asking some of the same questions to see what they can learn about who is looking for space, etc.

Janet mentioned that we should be doing a public notice for any subcommittee meetings at least 24 hours in advance, and asked the subcommittees to please notify her in advance so that she could take care of this.

City Manager Report

- Mike mentioned having attended a recent Discover Burien meeting and being pleased with the strides the organization is making.
- North Burien police officers are enjoying the use of Burien City Hall North.
- The issue of animal control will be going before Council on Monday night to privatize the function.

- The asphalt program will require the sale of bonds, and Mike met with bond counsel this week. We will be selling some Build America Bonds as well as Tax-free Bonds. We will also be funding the asphalt program through the Transportation Benefit District and through the savings we are realizing through having our own in-house public works maintenance crews.
- The Des Moines Memorial Drive (DMMD) intersection is now the preferred diamond interchange location on the State DOTs plan. This is a major step towards completing the eastbound ramp on DMMD.
- Mike is heading to Washington DC next week to reiterate the City's support for the FAA's reauthorization bill, which may bring \$4.5M to help with infrastructure in NERA.
- Mike is also meeting with legislators to help identify incentives that would encourage development in NERA.
- Mike has begun work on getting legislation for a Public Safety Authority that would be its own junior taxing district and would fund police services. There is multi-jurisdictional interest in this idea.
- The first ever breakfast of the CEOs of the core group of Burien Wellness are meeting this morning.

Economic Manager Report

- The developer for the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) has a meeting with our planning department next week to go over site plans and drawings so they may submit for permits. They would like to break ground in August.
- The open air Latino market is happening each Sunday from 10 am – 4 pm.

Discover Burien Report—Steve Gilbert

- Membership is growing.
- Steve has a new volunteer in the office who is helping a lot.
- This weekend is the Fathers Day Car Show. The Farmers Market is in full swing on Thursdays.
- We have been focusing on showing our members the value they get for their memberships. We have been able to offer discounts on advertising for our members through the B-Town Blog and Highline Times. We have also been able to loan banners to stores for sales and they can get their permit through Discover Burien.

Round the Table

Meeting adjourned at 9:00.